

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT**

Please amend the ABSTRACT of the application as follows:

~~Osteotom~~ ~~(1)~~ Osteotome for the removal of bone and of bone tumors, as well as of ligaments and fibrocartilaginous tissue, during surgery, comprising a pair of blades ~~(3, 4)~~ slidably coupled so that respective distal ends ~~(31, 41)~~ thereof be closable the one against the other for the removal of a bone fragment ~~[(0)]~~, pneumatic propelling means ~~[(6)]~~ for the blades ~~(3, 4)~~, and a trigger ~~[(11)]~~ for the operation of the propelling means ~~[(6)]~~ by a user ~~(Fig. 5B)~~.